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	•			Area Code — Telephone No.)
	B. A(	CCOUNTANT IDENTI	FICATION	
INDEPENDENT PU	BLIC ACCOUNTANT	whose opinion is contained	in this Report*	
Barba	ara F. Hill			
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<sup>\*</sup>Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

# OATH OR AFFIRMATION

Daniel Blumberg			, swear (or affirm) that, to t	tha
best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying Alpha Ventures Securities company	g financial statem	ent and supporting scho	edules pertaining to the firm	of of
December 31 XX 2001 are	true and correct	I further swear (or af	firm) that neither the compa	
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(b) Statement of Financial Condition.				
(c) Statement of Income (Loss).  (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition	on			
(e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equ		or Sole Proprietor's Car	oital.	
(f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subord	inated to Claims	of Creditors.		
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<sup>\*\*</sup>For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **AND**

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

(A Sole Proprietorship)

For the Year Ended December 31, 2001

#### Barbara F. Hill

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# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY (A Sole Proprietorship) December 31, 2001

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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Alpha Venture Securities Company (A Sole Proprietorship)

I have audited the Statement of Financial Condition of Alpha Venture Securities Company a sole proprietorship, as of December 31, 2001 and the related Statements of Operations, Cash Flows, and Owner's Capital for the year then ended pursuant to rule 17a-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the company's management. My responsibility is to express and opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

As indicated in Note 1 to the financial statements, the above-mentioned financial statements cover only the proprietorship business. Other assets and obligations, including income taxes of the owner are not included in these financial statements.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Alpha Venture Securities Company (A Sole Proprietorship) as of December 31, 2001, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America.

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basis financial statements taken as a whole. The Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors and Computation of Net Capital on pages seven and eight are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Barbara F. Hill

Certified Public Accountant

February 4, 2002

#### Schedule (b)

# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY (A Sole Proprietorship) Statement of Financial Condition

December 31, 2001

#### **ASSETS**

Assets

Cash

\$ 31,927

LIABILITIES

Liabilities None

OWNER'S EQUITY

Capital, Sole Proprietor - Schedule (c)

31,927

Total Liabilities and Owner's Equity

\$31,927

# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

# (A Sole Proprietorship)

# Statement of Operations and Changes in Owner's Capital

For the Year ended December 31, 2001

## **Operations**

Income	
Commissions and fees	\$101,011
Commissions – proprietor (Note 1)	(101,011)
Gross Profit	0
Expenses	
Professional fees	\$ 1,900
Office expenses Licenses and fees	260
Licenses and fees	760
Total Expenses	2,920
Loss from Operations	(2,920)
Other Income	
Interest	704
Net Loss	\$ (2,216)
Changes in Owner's Capita	al
Net Loss	\$ (2,216)
Beginning Capital – January 1, 2001	34,143
Ending Capital - December 31, 2001	<u>\$ 31,927</u>

### Schedule (d)

# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

# (A Sole Proprietorship) Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year ended December 31, 2001

# Decreases in Cash and Cash Equivalents

Operating Activities Net loss	\$ (2,216)
Adjustment to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by operating activities	
None	
Net cash used by operations	(2,216)
Investing Activities	None
Financing Activities	None
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(2,216)
Cash at the beginning of the year	34,143
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	<u>\$ 31,927</u>

Supplemental disclosures of cash flow information:

- See Note 3 regarding income taxes
- No interest was paid this year.

#### ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

#### (A Sole Proprietorship)

# Statement of Changes in Owner's Capital and

# Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors

For the year ended December 31, 2001

Schedule (e)

#### Changes in Owner's Capital

Owner's Capital - December 31, 2000

\$ 34,143

Net Loss January 1, 2001 - December 31, 2001

(2,216)

Owner's Capital - December 31, 2001

\$31,927

Schedule (f)

Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors

None

# Schedule (g)

## ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

# (A Sole Proprietorship) Computation of Net Capita

Computation of Net Capital
For the Year ended December 31, 2001

NET CAPITAL  Total ownership equity	\$ 31,927
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS Total Aggregate Indebtedness	0
COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENT Minimum net capital required (6 2/3% of aggregate indebtedness)	0
Minimum dollar net capital required	5,000
Net capital requirement (greater 6 2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or minimum dollar net capital required)	5,000
Excess net capital	26,927
Excess net capital at 1000% (Net Capital less 10% aggregate indebtedness)	31,927
Percentage of Aggregate Indebtedness to Net Capital	0%
RECONCILIATION OF COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL	
Net capital as reported in the Unaudited report of the quarter ended December 31, 2001	\$ 31,927
Adjustments - None	0
Net Capital	\$ 31,927

# ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY

# (A Sole Proprietorship) Miscellaneous Schedules For the Year ended December 31, 2001

Schedule (h)
Computation for determination of reserve requirement pursuant to Rule 15c3-1
Not applicable - exempt under Rule 15c3-1(a)(2)(vi)
Schedule (i)
Information relating to possession or control requirements under Rule 15c3-3
Not applicable - exempt under Rule 15c3-3 (K)(2)
Schedule (j)
A reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of computation of net Capital under Rule 15c3-1 and computation for determination of reserve requirement under exhibit A of rule 15c3-3.
Not applicable - exempt under Rule 15c3-1(a)(2)(vi) and Rule 15c3-3 (K)(2)
Schedule (k)
Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited statements of financial condition with respect to method of consolidation.
Not applicable
Schedule (I)
The Oath or Affirmation is attached to the front of these financial statements.

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ALPHA VENTURE SECURITIES COMPANY (A Sole Proprietorship)

#### **Report on Internal Control**

In planning and performing my audit of the financial statements of Alpha Venture Securities Company (a sole proprietorship) for the year ended December 31, 2001 I considered its internal control structure in order to determine my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), I have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including tests of such practices and procedures that I considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemption provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, I did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons
- 2. Recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
- 3. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

## **Report on Internal Control**

Schedule (n)
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My consideration of internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of the specific internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. My study and evaluation disclosed the following matter that I believe results in a reportable condition under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Reportable conditions are significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls that, in my judgment, could adversely affect the company's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. Alpha Securities is a small company and two individuals perform essentially all of its operations and record keeping. Consequently, the Company's system and procedures do not provide the segregation of duties commensurate with effective internal control. Since Alpha Securities does not maintain physical possession or control of securities for customers, this weakness is not as significant as it would otherwise be. The foregoing condition was considered in determining the nature, timing and extent of audit tests to be applied in my audit of the Company's financial statements, and this report does not affect my report on these financial statements. I noted no matters involving internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, which I consider to be a material weakness as defined above.

I understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on my study, I believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2001, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the board of directors, management, the Securities Exchange Commission and NASD and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Barbara F. Hill

Certified Public Accountant

February 4, 2002

#### Alpha Venture Securities Company (A Sole Proprietorship) Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2001

#### Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

These financial statements cover only the operations of Alpha Venture Securities Company, Walnut Creek, Calfiornia, which is owned by Daniel Blumberg as a sole proprietor. The Company is a broker-dealer with emphasis in syndication and direct participation in limited partnerships. None of Mr. Blumberg's other assets, liabilities, and operations are included in these financial statements. The only commission income for the year was on Mr. Blumberg's own investments, with the commissions credited to him. The preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles of the United States of America requires the use of estimates regarding assets, liaiblities and contingencies. The actual results my differ.

These financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### Note 2 – Net Capital Requirements

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2001 and during the year the Company had net capital in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.

#### Note 3 – Income Taxes

Federal and state income tax regulations provide that any taxes on income of a sole proprietorship are payable by the proprietor. The tax liability of a sole proprietor will be affected by many other items of income and deductions that are unrelated to the company's operations. Therefore, no provision for taxes has been made on the Company's books.